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AN OPPORTUNITY FOR FARMERS

The Chamber of Commerce is offering a special incentive to the farmers to get them to join the organization and become interested in the work. It has placed the membership fee at \$1.00 per year for farmer members and anyone taking advantage of this opportunity will certainly get his money's worth.

The Chamber of Commerce is making arrangements to manage the harvest hand proposition and in order to do this will need the co-operation of the farmers. It is the plan to have enough men here to handle the crop nicely and to get them and the farmers in touch with each other. It has also taken steps to obtain better roads and the committee on roads has superintended the improvement of the north road and is arranging to build an east road soon.

There are a good many ways in which the farmer will find a membership in this organization very beneficial as it is always ready to co-operate with them in every way and can supply them with useful information. The association sends out a bulletin twice a month to keep all members informed as to the work they are doing and to keep in touch with the members in general. In other communities the farmer members take a very active part and secure a good many considerations useful to them. They realize that their development is closely connected with that of the community and that their co-operation is needed in this development as well as that of the residents themselves.

The secretary invites the farmers to call at the office, which is the first door south of the postoffice, and talk the matter over and get an explanation of the workings of the organization. They are also requested to leave word as to how many hands they are going to need and when they are to need them.

OUR "ANGEL" GETS MARRIED

Enos E. Manney, the young man who has served on the Democrat force for nearly a year as printer, "angel," and in other capacities, got tired of the single life last week and got himself married. Miss Irene Rogers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Rogers, was the fortunate young lady. They were married on Thursday evening of last week by Probate Judge Campbell at his office in the court house, just an hour or two too late to get the item in the paper last week. We had suspected Manney of contemplating such a move for some time, but compared to the information he gave us the noise Judge Hughes made in pre-convention days was deafening. However, we are glad to see him get hooked up in double harness and know that the young folks will now settle down and pursue the prosaic paths of peaceful married life. The "old man" and Haynes extend the glad hand of felicitation on behalf of the old rag o' freedom with which he is connected, and we trust they live long and prosper abundantly.

SUMMERS' GREAT HARVEST SALE

When Summers puts on a sale, everyone knows it is a bonafide proposition because their reputation—thirty-eight years of successful merchandising—is at stake.

This \$5.00 Traveling Bag is on display in our store. Only one member of a family is entitled to a drawing on this traveling bag. This is a \$5.00 traveling bag, taken out of our regular stock. Whether you are a purchaser or not, you are entitled to one number. Simply register your name and address opposite a number on our register at the desk, especially put there for that purpose. A number for each name on our register will be placed in a box, ten numbers will be drawn out, and the tenth number out will be the lucky one. Our register will be closed at 4:30 p. m., Saturday, June 24, drawing to be held at 5:00 p. m.

Starts Thursday, June 22--Ends Sat., June 24

Remember we always sell exactly as we advertise. This is not a general sale on everything in the store and must not be confused with one of our annual sales. Our limited space does not permit us to give prices here, but we will be pleased to hand or mail you prices on request.

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CATTLEMEN ORGANIZE

Answering a call published in the papers about twenty cattlemen and stockmen met in the club room under the First National Bank last Saturday afternoon and effected a temporary organization for the purpose of organizing a Cattlemen's Association of the Southwest, with headquarters at Liberal. J. E. George was selected president and John L. Boles secretary.

All of the stockmen present signified their intention to become members of the proposed organization and the president appointed a committee to select a constitution and by-laws for the organization. The next meeting of the organization will occur at 2 o'clock p. m. June 27.

ATTRACTIONS FOR SALES WEEK

The Sales Week Committee has made arrangements to have a free attraction for every day of the sale. It is their intention to have a demonstration of the new fire truck on Thursday and one of the picture shows open on each of the two succeeding days.

TIE PILE A SUCCESS

A couple of weeks ago the Chamber of Commerce established a tie pile where those who came to Liberal to harvest several weeks before the crop was ready could earn their meals and lodging by a few hours work each day. The plan has worked out very successfully so far. About fifty husky workers have applied for a job on the pile and have seemed pleased with an opportunity of earning a few meals and a bed rather than to beg from the citizens. This feature has gone a long way toward eliminating panhandling on the streets and is providing a good many men with a means of staying here until harvest begins. The kindling pile is steadily growing and if they keep up the gait they struck on the start there will be plenty of kindling to supply everybody this winter.

SIGNED AGREEMENT LEGAL

The Merchants Journal contains the information that Attorney Generals of both Kansas and Oklahoma have ruled that the grocers of any community may enter into a written agreement not to extend credit to anyone who owes another grocer, without debtor having made satisfactory arrangements for settlement. Attorney General Brewster says this is not contrary to any law and the Topeka grocers have already taken the matter up. This ruling is not a "boycott" and effects only the "dead beats." It affords an excellent means of protection for the grocers and it should be taken advantage of in every city.

TAKE A BANNER TO OCHILTREE

The Chamber of Commerce is having some fine looking signs made to advertise Liberal and the Sales week at the Ochiltree auto races, and it is their desire to get a line on all of those who are intending to make the trip. If you or any of your friends are going, come to the Chamber of Commerce office and let them supply you with one of these banners for your car.

SPECIAL GROCERS MEETING

The Grocers Auxiliary of the Retailers Association met last Monday evening at the Eldson Produce House and discussed several matters in connection with their business. They established a standard for handling eggs on the basis of "firsts" and "seconds" and all agreed to operate on this basis. They decided to keep their stores open later than usual for the next few months in order to accommodate the farmers who would have to do their shopping in the evenings during harvest.

USE THE PARCEL POST

By an agreement between the Chamber of Commerce and the postoffice officials those living on rural routes will be able to get fresh meats and fruits by parcel post on the same day of the order if they get their order in so that it may be taken to the postoffice before eight in the morning. This will be a great advantage to the farmers as well as to the merchants. During harvest the feeding question is a big one and this plan will facilitate it greatly. It will also come in pretty handy in the winter when the farmers do not come to town very often.

TO HANDLE HARVEST HANDS

The Chamber of Commerce has a plan whereby it is going to facilitate the handling of harvest hands for the coming harvest. You are requested to call and let them know how many hands you are to need. Their phone is 309 and their office is in the Liberal Light, Ice & Power Co. office, the first door south of the postoffice. Don't fail to attend to this matter as it is to your interest.

GOFF

The members of the Chamber of Commerce were favored at their meeting Friday night by a lecture on "Business Building" by Wm. T. Goff from the Sheldon School of Chicago. All who were present seemed greatly impressed by Mr. Goff's talk and those who did not attend missed something good.

FOR COUNTY TREASURER

The Democrat is authorized to announce the candidacy of T. S. Locke as a candidate to succeed himself as county treasurer of Seward county, subject to the Republican voters in the August primary. Mr. Locke was appointed deputy treasurer in December, 1913, and was elected to his present office in 1914. He is a good accountant and has held down the job in a thorough manner ever since he became connected with the office. This is his first term as county treasurer and he is asking for re-election.

CHANGE IN FURNITURE STORE

A deal was made Monday whereby A. T. Beaver retires from the firm of Beaver & Gray, and his interest in the same is assumed by the junior partner, T. L. Gray. Mr. Beaver is getting along in years and thinks the active business life is a little too strenuous for one of his age. He will retire from business entirely and lead the simple life from now on. Mr. Gray is an experienced furniture man and the store should continue to enjoy its present good patronage under his management.

NOTICE TO PARENTS

Many of the children of Liberal are in the habit of climbing on the fire truck and annoying the firemen in their practice runs.

There is danger of getting hurt, and the Liberal fire department will not be responsible for any accident.

Parents will please take due notice thereof and govern themselves accordingly.

E. G. KINDSCHI, Chief.

MORRIS-HOCKETT

It was a beautiful home wedding that was solemnized at 7:30 a. m. on Thursday of last week at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Thos. Hockett, when their daughter, Miss Bess, and Merrill H. Morris were united in marriage. Rev. Hockett, father of the bride, performing the ceremony that made them man and wife. About thirty guests, relatives and intimate friends were present to witness the ceremony. After congratulations and good wishes from those present, the party left in autos for Liberal, where they took the train for Long Beach, California, where they will make their home. A number of friends accompanied them to the train and wished them much happiness, among plentiful showers of rice. Miss Hockett is well known to the people of Liberal, having attended high school here for a number of years. Mr. Morris is a young man of excellent reputation and is an electrician by trade. Their friends extend them best wishes for a long and happy married life.

MADE A QUICK RUN

The fire department got a hurry up call Monday afternoon, the fire whistle blew, and the whole town was thrown into an uproar of excitement for a few minutes, everyone wondering in the meantime where the fire was. The fire engine with whistle blowing and gong sounding soon got a right-of-way of the streets, and pandemonium seemed to have broken loose. The fire happened to be a pile of old boxes near the Craig swimming pool that had been hauled there and set afire on purpose to see how quickly the fire fighters could get to that end of town. From the time the whistle blew until the engine had run six blocks, unlimbered and was throwing a stream on the fire, four and a half minutes were consumed. This is pretty good action and ought to convince the people of Liberal that the new fire fighting equipment is a good investment and the volunteer firemen are "right up to snuff" when it comes to answering a call.

ENTERTAINED FOR NEWLYWEDS

A number of Liberal's young people were entertained Wednesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Hoffman in honor of Mr. and Mrs. James Jones, who were married last week in Hiawatha, Kansas. The ladies showered Mrs. Jones with a number of pieces of linen and the young men came across with a handsome piece of silverware. The game of progressive travel was indulged in until 11 o'clock, when a delicious lunch was served by Mrs. Hoffman and Miss Grainger. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Jones, Misses Hettie Gray, Corda Buchanan, Zula Weldensaul, Helen Matkins, Mabel Grainger and Dollie Hill, and Messrs. Geo. Matkins, Ernest Nichols, James Carr, Ralph Privonky and Laurel Bartholomew.

A WAR SONG WANTED

The Booster Committee is having a little trouble in getting a suitable war song for the booster trip. The committee would be glad to receive suggestions for songs from which they can select one suitable for the occasion. A song is wanted that can be sung to a popular tune, and the words should of course set out the advantages of Liberal as a trading point. The local song writers are all invited to try their skill on this song.

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